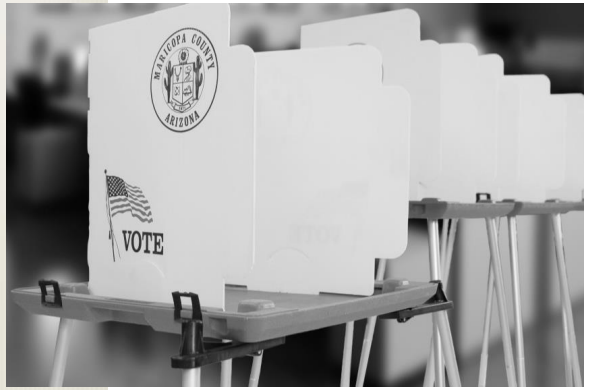

The Elections Town Hall Will Start Momentarily

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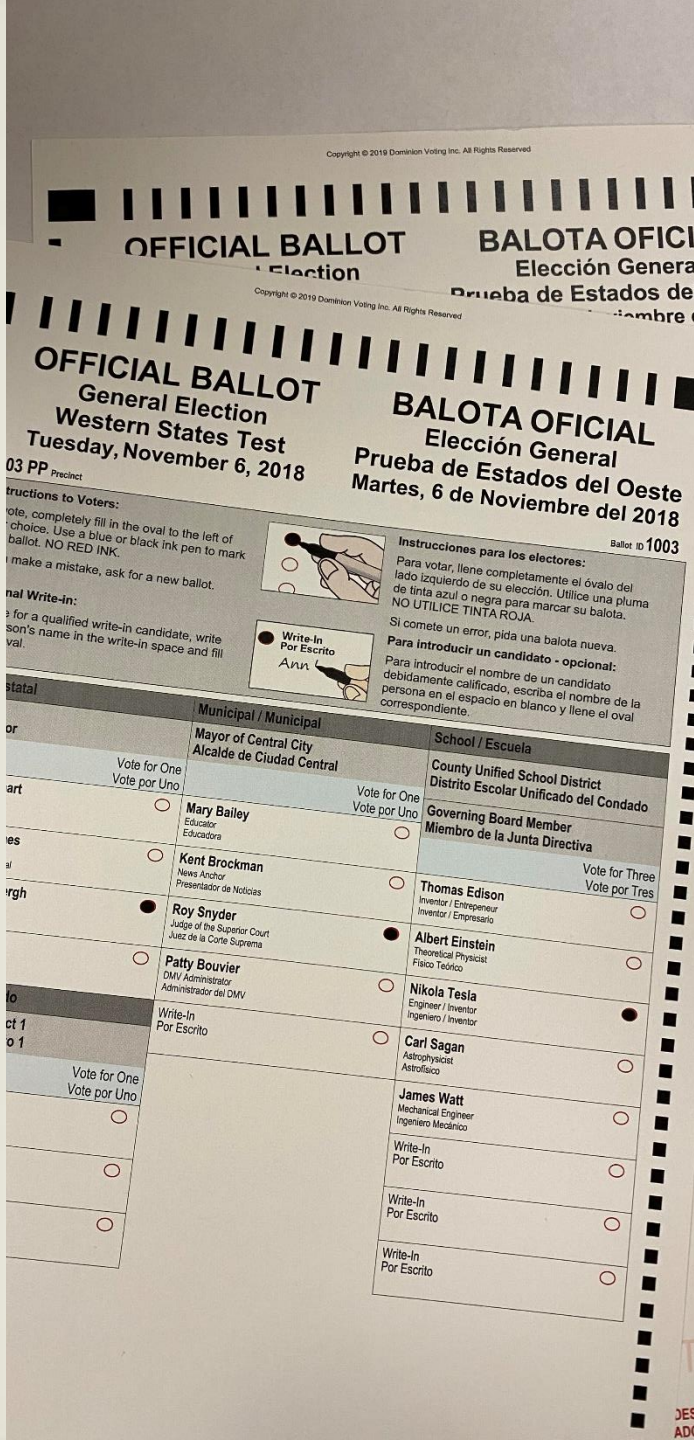
Agenda

10 a.m.	Opening Remarks from Maricopa County Recorder Adrian Fontes
10:10 a.m.	Presentation from Maricopa County election officials
10:55 a.m.	Intermission
11 a.m.	Q&A
Noon	Vote in the August Primary Election!



Roundtable Project Overview

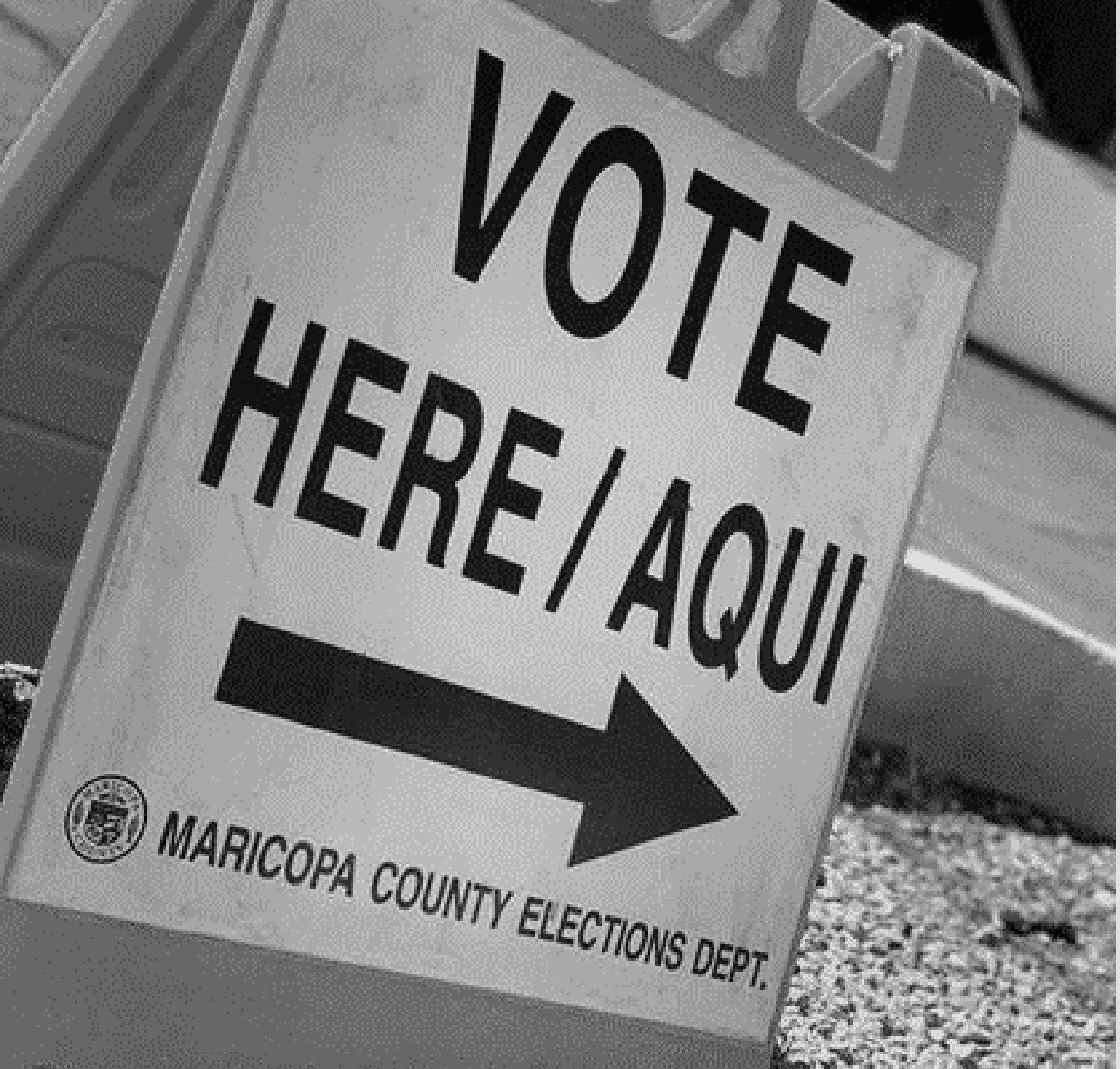
2019 'Outstanding Innovations in Elections' Clearinghouse Award Winner

Cleary Award Winner!

over

1.3 million

BALLOTS MAILED



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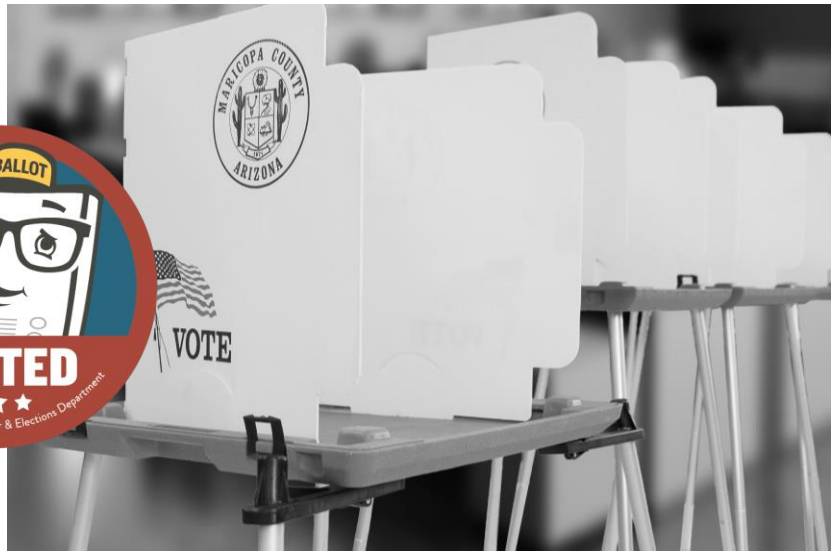


Presidential Preference Election Debrief

COVID-19 Response

Redesigned an entire election in 5 days

Due to the rapidly changing dynamics of COVID-19, the Maricopa County Elections Department redesigned an entire election in five days, moving to a Vote Center election model.

Closed high risk facilities and focused on ensuring sufficient cleaning supplies were available to sanitize frequently touched surfaces.

Planned

229

Assigned Consolidated Precincts

Election Day

148

Unassigned Vote Centers

CANVASS REPORT

March 17, 2020 Presidential Preference Election

732,376
Registered Voters

358,390
Ballots Cast

48.94%
Turnout

ELECTION DAY BALLOTS

Verified and Counted	36,520
Percentage of Registered Voters	4.99%
Percentage of Ballots Cast	10.19%

EARLY BALLOTS

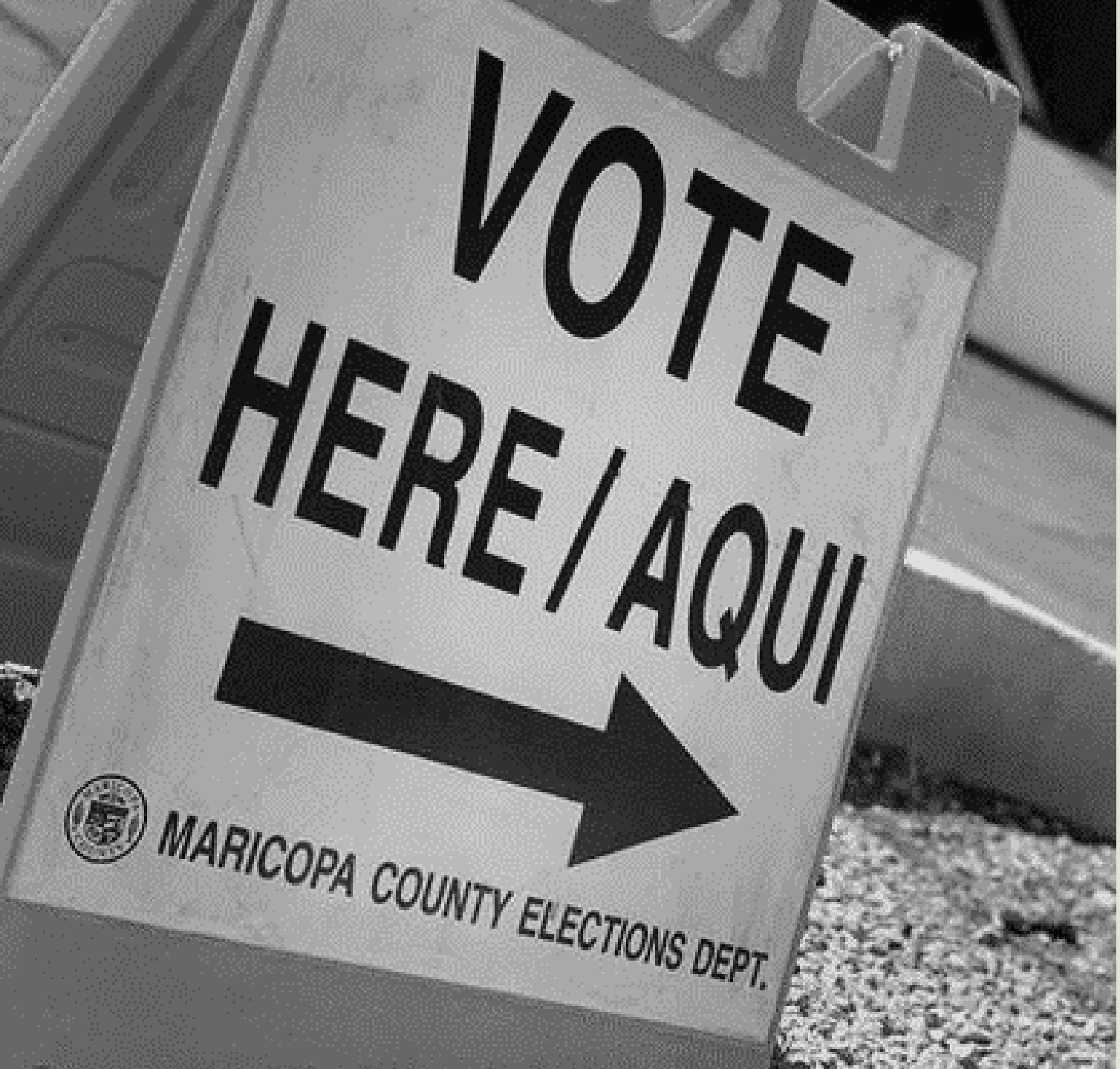
Verified and Counted	321,870
Percentage of Registered Voters	43.95%
Percentage of Ballots Cast	89.81%

PROVISIONAL BALLOTS

Total Provisional Ballots	8,747
Verified and Counted	1,065
Verified and Not Counted	7,682

OTHER ELECTION INFORMATION

Locations that served out of precinct voters...	141
New accessible voting device usage	1,344
Poll worker turnout	85%



August 4, 2020

Primary Election

KEY DATES

August 2020 Primary Election

JUNE 15
Military and Overseas Ballots Mailed

JULY 6
Voter Registration Deadline

JULY 8
Ballots mailed, in-person voting available

JULY 24
Last Day to Request a Ballot in the Mail

JULY 25
Weekend Voting Available

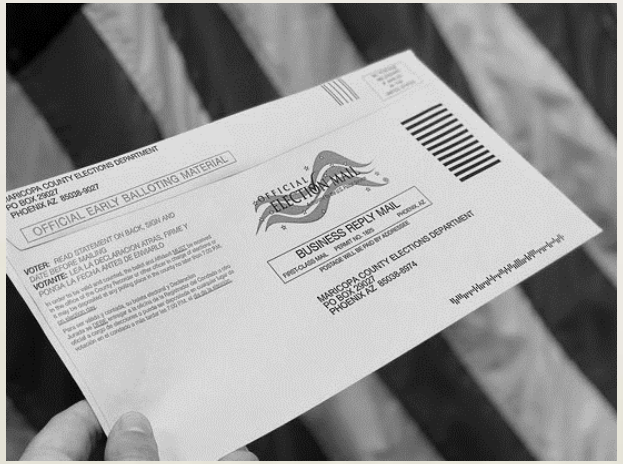
JULY 29
Last Day to Mail Back Your Ballot

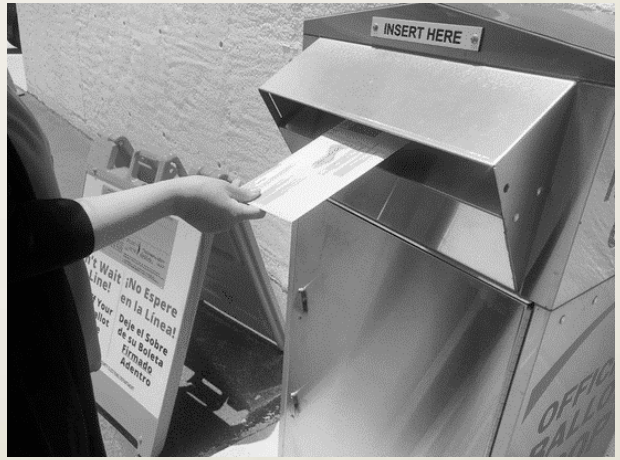
AUGUST 4
Election Day!

GET YOUR BALLOT BY JULY 24

GET YOUR BALLOT AT

Request.Maricopa.Vote





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BALLOT BY MAIL SECURITY

- ✓ **REGISTERED - Only verified registered voters can receive an early ballot.**
- ✓ **TRACKED - Early Ballots are tracked to the voters mailbox and all addresses are pre-verified (NCOA, ACS, Return Service Requested, etc.).**
- ✓ **VERIFIED – 100% of all returned early ballots are signature verified against a known and verified signature from the voter.**

TEXT

“JOIN”

TO 628-683

TRACK YOUR BALLOT

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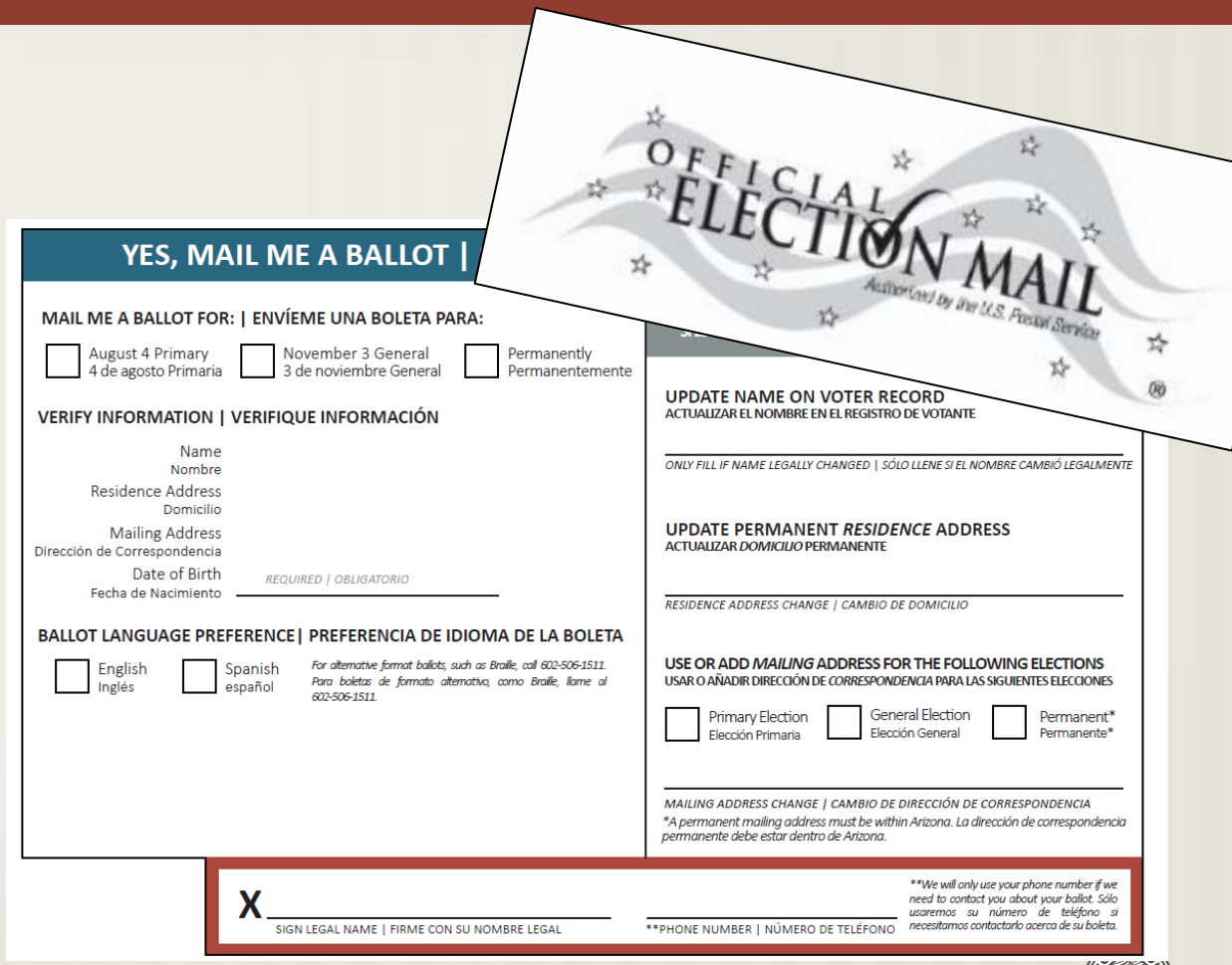
STRATEGIES TO IMPROVE ACCESS

August 2020 Primary Election

INCREASING ACCESS TO VOTE BY MAIL

- Sending mailers to non-PEVL Voters
- Easier to request an early ballot
  - One-time or permanently
  - Request.Maricopa.Vote / Solicitud.Maricopa.Voto
- BeBallotReady.Vote
  - New notifications



ATTENTION INDEPENDENT VOTERS!

Make your ballot choice!

To participate, an Independent or Party Not Designated (PND) Voter must specify to their County Recorder which ballot type they would like to vote. The ballots options for the August 4, 2020 Primary Election are:

- Democratic
- Republican
- City / Town Only (if available)

**The Libertarian Party has a closed primary.*

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ARE YOU BALLOT READY?

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[Image of Be Ballot Ready logos in English and Spanish]

BeBallotReady.Vote provides Maricopa County residents with a personalized **voter dashboard** that includes everything you need to know to make your vote count.

In light of COVID-19, we want to make sure voters know all their voting options for the Primary and General Elections in 2020. Voters can make a **one-time** or **permanent** request to **vote by mail** at home. **In-person voting** will also be available, including some weekends, up to 27-days prior to **Election Day**. All voting locations will follow strict physical distancing and cleaning guidelines.

[Image: Phil the Ballot waving]

AUGUST PRIMAY ELECTION

ACCESSIBLE.

RELIABLE.

SECURE.

SAFE.

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FACTORS IMPACTING THE 2020 ELECTIONS

BALLOTS AND ENVELOPES

- Order lead time of 3 ½ months
- Paper shortages
- Over 8,000 ballot styles in August

EXISTING POLLING LOCATIONS

- Non-responsive
- Not available
- Too small for physical distancing

POLL WORKERS

- Prior election experience is required & needed
- Traditional Model: 3,600 vs. Revised Model: 1,000
- Physical Distancing Training Considerations (Classes begin in June / 10 attendees)
- PW Correspondence: *"Will only work if voting locations are safe"*

PERSONAL SAFETY AND CLEANING SUPPLIES

- We need masks, gloves, disinfecting wipes, hand sanitizer
- Products are in short supply, however, some of our back orders are being fulfilled.

TURNOUT & WAIT TIMES

Preliminarily Forecast

2,450,000
Registered Voters
As of 4/10/2020: 2,381,279:

116,000
In-Person Ballots Cast
2016: 70,601 / 2018: 103,642

4.75%
In-Person Turnout
2016: 3.4% / 2018: 4.65%:

Amount of Voting Locations	Average wait-time 5-7pm	Revised based on strategy*
75 Vote Centers *Estimated Voters Per-Site 5pm – 7pm: 295*	31.6 Minutes	23.7 Minutes
100 Vote Centers *Estimated Voters Per-Site 5pm – 7pm: 221*	17.8 Minutes	13.3 Minutes
* Strategy includes direct mailers, 27,14, & 7 days of continuous voting, encouraging early ballot requests		

"VOTE ANYWHERE" ELECTION MODEL

Vote Centers Open July 8-August 4

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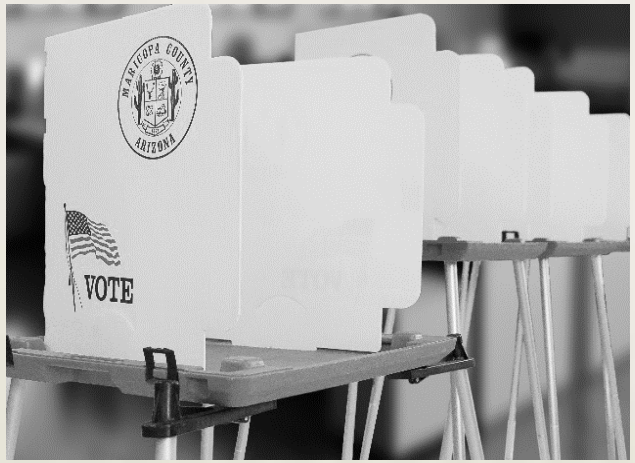

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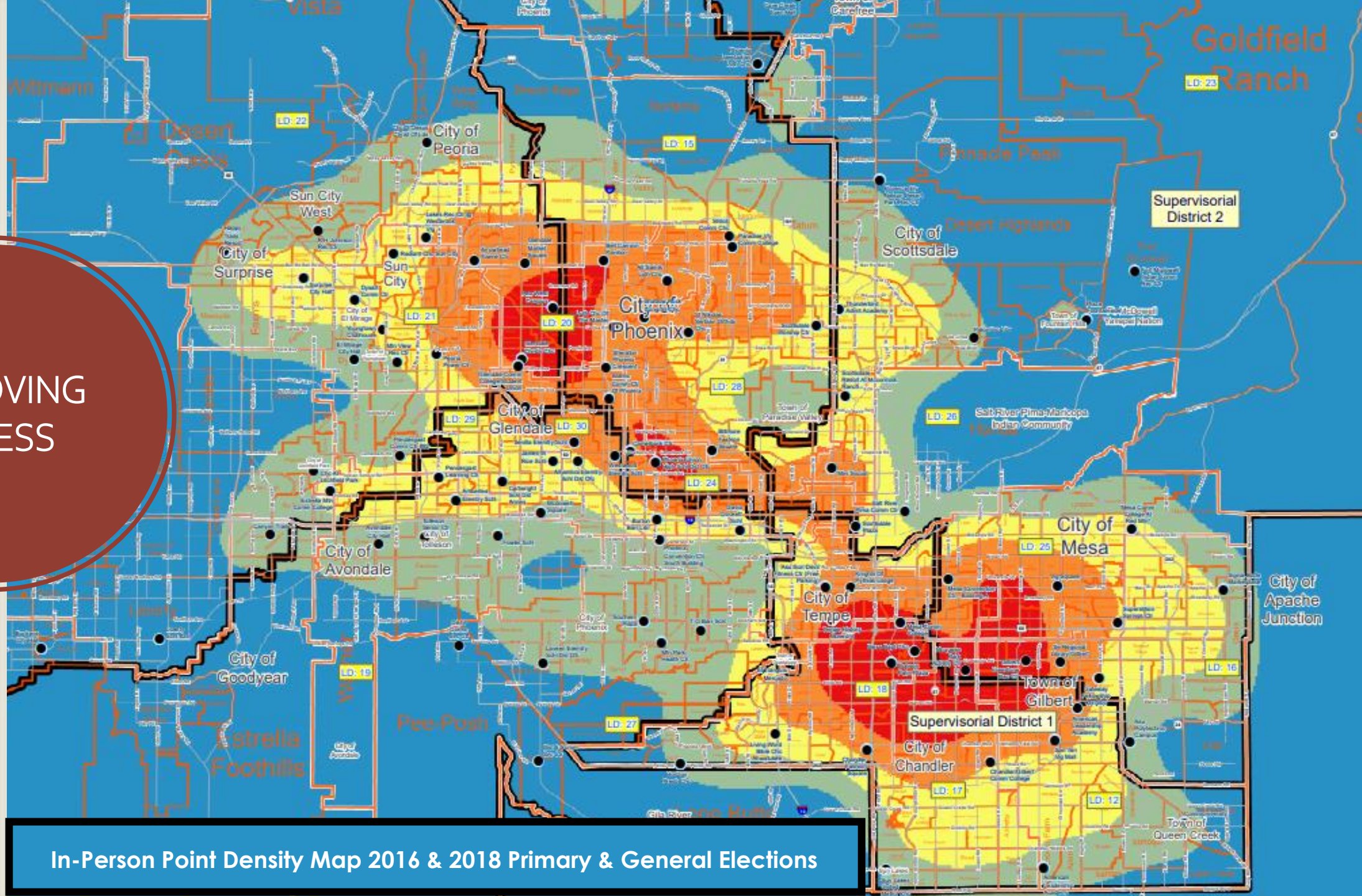
IMPROVING ACCESS



In-Person Point Density Map 2016 & 2018 Primary & General Elections

STRATEGIES TO IMPROVE ACCESS

August 2020 Primary Election

- ✓ More Early Voting Centers
  - Phased openings (27, 14, 7, 1 day)
  - Includes Weekends and Evenings
- ✓ "Vote Anywhere" Vote Centers
  - Ballot on Demand Printers
  - 41 vs 90 - 100
- ✓ Located along light-rail / bus routes
- ✓ Located in high density and includes locations that serve Native American & Rural communities

Strategies to Improve Safety

- ✓ Large locations with physical distancing
- ✓ Gloves & Masks for all voters
- ✓ PPE for poll workers
- ✓ Frequent cleaning of high touch surfaces
- ✓ Phased opening of facilities

STRATEGIES TO IMPROVE RELIABILITY

August 2020 Primary Election

- ✓ Stress Testing (BOD Printers, Tabulators)
- ✓ Ensuring we have sufficient paper to meet demand for early ballot requests
- ✓ Leasing retail spaces, convention centers, mall store fronts
- ✓ Recruiting, training, and retaining poll workers and central boards
  - 10 poll workers per site
  - 30 additional inspector level poll workers
  - Moving to online training, while still providing small, in person classes
- ✓ Cleaning, sanitizing, and safety supplies and equipment
- ✓ Vote-Anywhere Vote Centers

Voter Assistance Services

At Home or at the Polls

Alternative Ballot Formats

- Spanish, Large Print, Braille

Special Election Boards

- Two-member board consisting of individuals from different political parties that provide voting assistance to voters who, due to a confining illness or disability, are unable to vote at a polling location.
- Contact Maricopa County Elections and include **Name**, **Residence Address**, **Date of Birth**, and **Phone Number**. A representative will contact you to coordinate a date and time for a SEB to assist you.
  - Email: SpecialAssistance@risc.maricopa.gov
  - Phone: 602.506.1511
  - Fax: 480.360.3628

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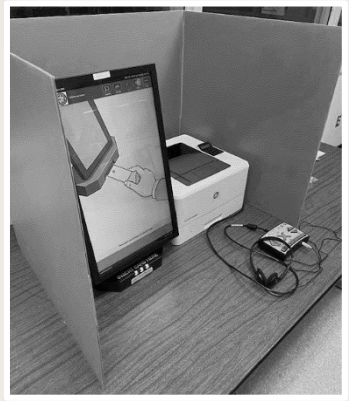

New Accessible Voting Device

- Ballot Marking Device
- Easier set up and more voter friendly for all voters
- Paper ballot produced and verified by voter
- **1,344** voters used this option during the Presidential Preference Election!

Curbside Voting

- Available at all voting locations.
- Call 602-506-2307 when you arrive at a voting location.

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[Image: Deputy Registrar assisting voter on SiteBook]
*Not an actual voting location

1,000+ poll workers

- Poll Workers
- Central Board Workers
- Deputy Registrars and much more!

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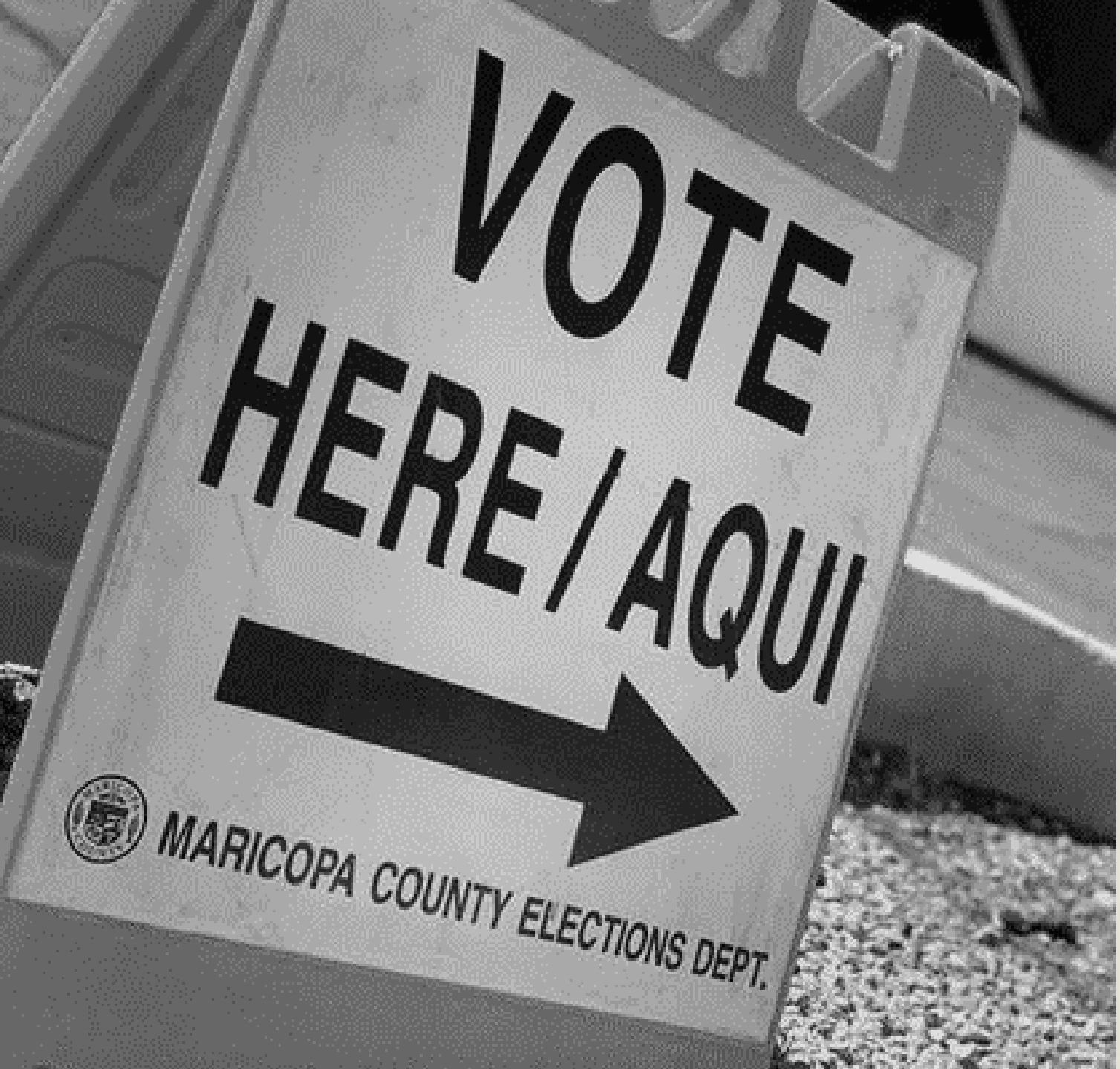

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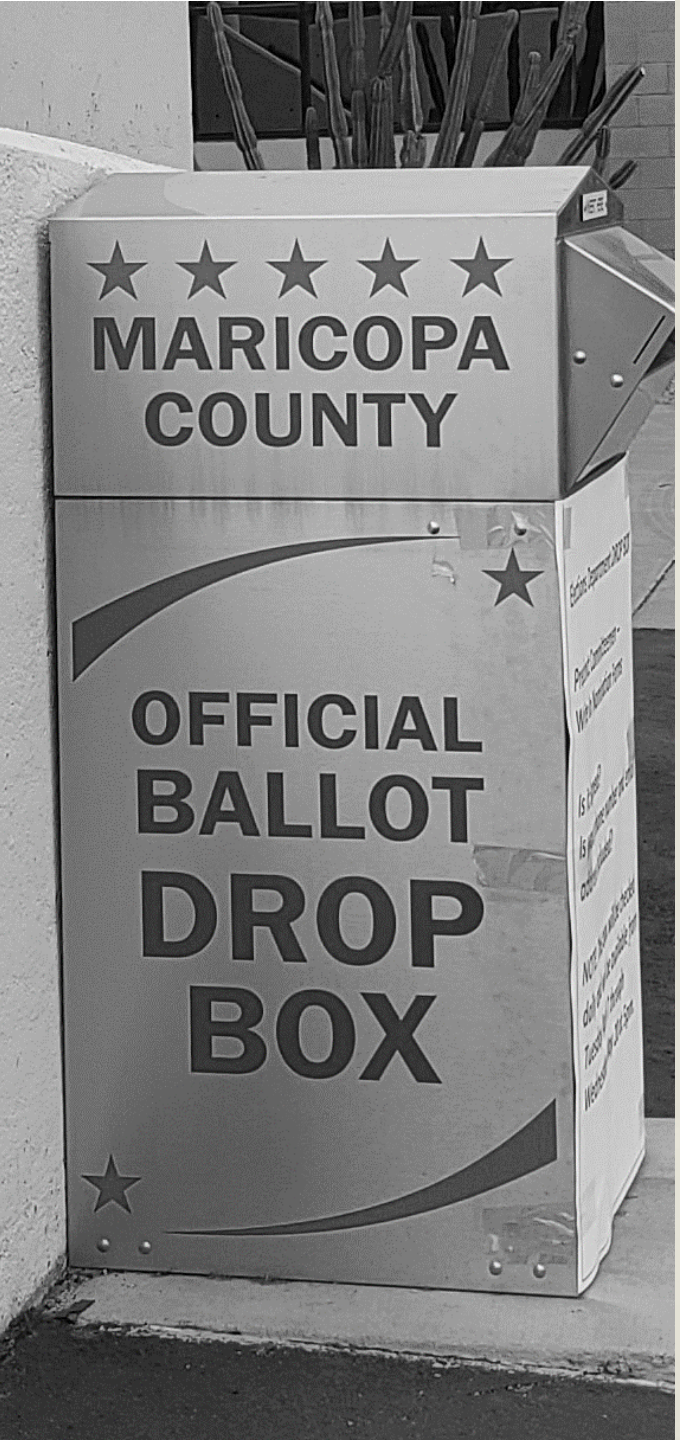

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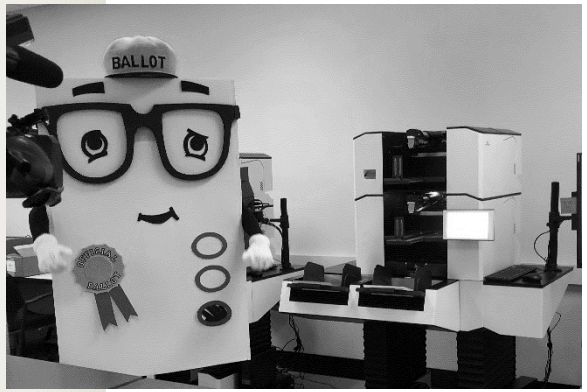

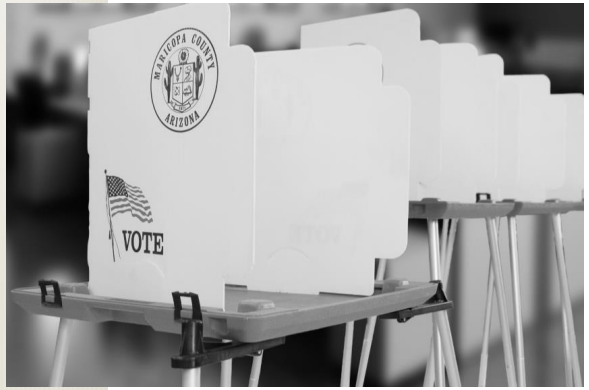

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